GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:562
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NON LIFTING OF LPG BY OIL COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether ONGC has lost 15,000 tons of LPG due to non-lifting of committed quantities by principal off takers ;

(b) whether this company has been incurring huge revenue losses due to cut in production since 1999, till date;

(c) if so, the steps taken / proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard ;

(d) whether due to excessive stock-piling of LPG at Uran and Hazira by ONGC, there is a threat to safety of plants at Uran and Hazira ; and

(e) if so, the steps taken to prevent catastrophs due to stock piling of LPG beyond storage capacity ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c) : At present, LPG produced by Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) is being marketed through Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) and during the last three years, the upliftment of LPG by OMCs was in line with the estimated figures of production and the actual production by ONGC.

(d) & (e) : No, Sir. LPG inventory is allowed to build up to safe storage limits only.